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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: REPORTED US STEEL REP DISCUSSIONS WITH GERMAN
STEEL PRODUCERS

REF: (A) STATE 3260, (B) BONN 20997

1. DURING DISCUSSION OF SIMONET PLAN AND THE US AIDE
MEMOIRE (REF A) WITH OLLIG, ECONMIN OFFICIAL
RESPONSIBLE FOR STEEL INDUSTRY, EMBOFF WAS ASKED
WHETHER HE KNEW ANYTHING ABOUT A US STEEL CORPORATION
PROPOSAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORLD STEEL MARKET
ORDER (WELTSTAHLMARKTORDNUNG). WHEN EMBOFF PROFESSED
NO KNOWLEDGE OF SUCH A PROPOSAL, OLLIG STATED THAT
GERMAN STEEL PRODUCERS (UNNAMED) HAD TOLD HIM OF A
CONVERSATION WITH A US STEEL CORPORATION REP DURING
WHICH THEY WERE INFORMED BY THE REP THAT "ALL OF THIS
US PROTECTIONISM WOULD END" IF WE COULD ESTABLISH A
WORLD STEEL MARKET ORDER.

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2. OLLIG DID NOT NAME THE GERMAN PRODUCERS AND,
UNDERSTANDABLY, WAS NOT TOLD THE NAME OF THE US STEEL
REP OR THE OCCASION OR PLACE OF THE REPORTED DISCUSSION.
OLLIG DID, HOWEVER, EMPHASIZE THAT, WHILE THE FRENCH
MIGHT WELCOME SUCH A PROPOSAL, THE FRG WAS FIRMLY
AGAINST IT. EMBOFF COULD ONLY RE-EMPHASIZE THAT THE
US IS PRESENTLY CONSIDERING A NEW INITIATIVE TO

ADDRESS WORLD STEEL PROBLEMS (AS STATED IN US AIDE
MEMOIRE).

3. COMMENT: THE FRG RESISTED THE SIMONET PLAN FROM
ITS INCEPTION AND ONLY CAVED IN TO GERMAN PRODUCERS
AND OTHER EC MEMBER STATES AFTER THE DEPTH OF THE STEEL
CRISIS BECAME APPARENT. EVEN THEN, THE FRG WOULD ONLY
AGREE TO A PLAN LIMITED TO PRODUCTION GUIDELINES
(REF B). EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION DEPARTMENT COULD PROVIDE WHICH MIGHT
CLARIFY THESE REPORTS.
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